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Applicant : Hyman M. Schipper, et al  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

This letter is filed in response to the Office action of July 29, 2003 and is accompanied by a petition for a two-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a) and fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(a).

Please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.